

JU et al.
Appl. No. 10/716,877
February 13, 2004

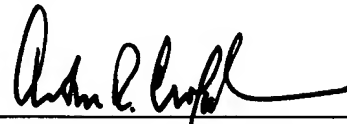
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The claims have been amended to place them in better form. An early and favorable action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.

By: _____


Arthur R. Crawford
Reg. No. 25,327

ARC:eaw
1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor
Arlington, VA 22201-4714
Telephone: (703) 816-4000
Facsimile: (703) 816-4100